

## MES Healthcare Graduates

in 2008-09, the MUS produced 871 graduates in healthcare fields; accounting for 12% of the total graduates in the System (2<sup>nd</sup> most to Business/Acct/Marketing at 14%).

92% of the healthcare graduates were Montana residents. Of those graduates, 81% found employment in Montana within one year of graduation.

The average salary of healthcare graduates (regardless of degree level) was \$39,400, 35% higher than the average MUS graduate.

# Average Salaries of 2008-09 MUS Graduates

Pharmacy	\$97,919
Health Admin	\$63,056
Physical Therapy	\$46,265
Registered Nurse	\$45,810
Dental Hygiene	\$43,012
Respiratory Care	\$38,900
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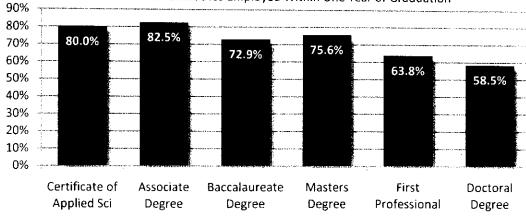
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#### **MEASURE**

Percentage of MUS graduates finding employment in Montana by degree type

#### % Resident Graduates Entering Montana's Workforce by Degree Type

2008-09 Graduates Employed Within One Year of Graduation



74% of resident students graduating from the MUS found employment in Montana within one year of graduation (2008-09 graduating cohort).

#### **Average Salaries**

Average Salaries of MUS Graduates Employed in Montana by Degree Type (2008-09 graduates employed in all 4 quarters of 2009/2010 UI Wage Records)

Degree/Award	Average Salary	# Employed
Certificate of Applied Science	\$22,303	133
Associate's Degree	\$29,098	641
Bachelor's Degree	\$25 <i>,</i> 760	1,883
Master's Degree	\$39,308	478
First Professional	\$54,834	68
Doctoral Degree	\$46,712	33
Total	\$29,105	3,236

Of the 641 associate degree recipients employed from the 2008-09 graduating cohort, 116 were employed in a healthcare profession (registered nurse, respiratory care, or EMT), earning an average salary \$42,000 per year.